improved it is not possible to take up the question of either opening of new dispensaries or the expansion of the existing institutions. I therefore give this for the information of the hon'ble members.

MR. E. P. POULOSE : കൂടുതൽ ഉപകരണങ്ങളോടുകൂടി ത്രാവിടെ ഒന്നാംഗ്രേഡ് ആശുപത്രി ഉണ്ടാക്കുന്നപക്ഷം അതു ജനങ്ങൾക്കു വളരെ ഉപകാരപ്രദമായിരിക്കുമെന്നുള്ള വിവരം ഗവണ്മെൻറു ഗ്രഹിക്കുമോ?

HON'BLE MR. E. K. MADHAVAN : അതേപ്പറ്റി ആലോചിക്കാം.

MR. P. T. CHACKO : രോഗികളുംകൂടി ബസ്സിൽകയറി കോട്ടയത്തോ ആലുവായ്ക്കോ പോകണമെന്നാണോ പറയുന്നത്. അങ്ങിനെയാണെങ്കിൽപിന്നെ അവർക്ക് ചികിത്സിക്കേണ്ടിവരികയില്ല.

WRITTEN ANSWERS.

Opening of new Village Uplift Centres.

* 282. MR. E. P. PAULOSE: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Village Uplift be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether Government have as yet sanctioned opening of any new village uplift centre this year; and

(*b*) what approximate amount do Government intend utilising for working new centres to be opened this year?

HON'BLE MR. N. KUNJURAMAN: (*a*) No.

(*b*) In view of the answer to (a) this question does not arise.

Merger of Travancore State with Cochin State.

* 283. MR. P. S. NATARAJA PILLAI: Will the Hon'ble Prime Minister be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Government have considered the possibility and probability of a merger of Travancore State with Cochin state; and

(*b*) if so, what is the decision of the Government about such merger?

HON'BLE MR. T. K. NARAYANA PILLAI: (*a*) No.

(*b*) Does not arise in view to answer to (a).

Transfer from Perumbavoor Hospital.

* 284. MR. MAJEED MARIKAR (*Kunnathnad I—Muslim*): Will the Hon'ble Minister for Public Health be pleased to state:

(*a*) why Dr. P. C. Thomas was transferred to Thumbamon before he completed five months' service in Perumbavoor hospital; and

(*b*) whether there is any special rerson in transferring Mrs. P. K. Gouri, Midwife of Perumbavoor hospital?

HON'BLE MR. E. K. MADHAVAN: (*a*) Due to the exigencies of the service.

(*b*) No.

Accountant Generals Office.

* 285. KANNARA GOPALA PANICKER: Will the Hon'ble Minister for Finance be pleased to state;

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(*a*) whether there is any special test imported from outside and instituted in the Accountant General's Office by which promotions above the grade of Rs. 100 among the staff are confined to those who have passed this test ; and

(*b*) the object and purpose for the particular examination when there is already a departmental examination exclusively intended for this department ?

HON'BLE MR. A. J. JOHN : (*a*) A special Test called the Higher Departmental Examination was instituted from 1940 for Accountants on Rs. 125-165.

(*b*) To select the proper type of persons for supervising work. The Lower Departmental Examination is intended only for confirmation in the grade of Rs. 45-75.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

Opening of New Colleges in the State.

187. MR. ALEXANDER VAKAYIL : Will the Hon'ble Minister for Education be pleased to state :

(*a*) How many applications were received for permission to open new colleges in the State in the last academic year ;

(*b*) the names of these applicants ;

(*c*) whose applications were rejected and why ; and

(*d*) will not these rejected applications be considered next year ?

HON'BLE MR. N. KUNJURAMAN : (*a*) 3.

(*b*) The Most Rev. Philoxenos, M. A., B. D., Metropolitan, Chengannoor.

Rt. Rev. Jerome Fernandez, Bishop of Quilon.

The Very Rev. Father Emanuel Mecherikunnel, Palai.

(*c*) The application from the Rt. Rev. Jerome Fernandez Bishop of Quilon, for permission to open a Pre-University School at Quilon was examined by an Inspection Commission and their recommendation that there is no need or justification for the opening of a new Pre-University School at present either in Quilon or at any other centre in Travancore was accepted by the Syndicate.

The other applications did not reach the stage of consideration by the Syndicate.

(*d*) This is a matter for the Syndicate to consider.

മജിസ്ട്രേട്ടുകോടതിയിൽ ഇപ്പോൾ ഉള്ള കേസ്സുകൾ.

188. MR. PANDAVATHU SANKARA PILLAI (*Karthigapally III—General*) : താഴെ പറയുന്ന ചോദ്യത്തിന് മജിസ്ട്രേട്ട് കോടതിയുടെ ചാർജ്ജ് വഹിക്കുന്ന ബഹുമാനപ്പെട്ട മന്ത്രി സദയം മറുപടി പറയുമോ ?

കാർത്തികപ്പള്ളി മജിസ്ട്രേട്ട് കോടതിയിൽ ഇപ്പോൾ എത്ര കേസ്സുകൾ വീതമിലുണ്ട് ?

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